

Postmasters Appointed by the President.—New Storekeepers and Gunners.

THE PRESIDENT AT OAK VIEW.—The President remained at Oak View all day today.

PRESIDENTIAL POSTMASTERS APPOINTED.—The following postmasters were appointed by the President to-day: Grove G. Messenger, Maryland; Pa. and J. Andrew Schille, of Tennessee, Pa.

DUTY ON IRON SAFES.—The Treasury Department has decided that an iron safe imported into this country, notwithstanding it had been used abroad prior to its importation into the United States, is subject to duty on importation.

THE AMERICAN TELEGRAPH.—The Secretary of State has received a dispatch from Minister Bragg saying that J. B. Lawrence, an American citizen, who has been confined in prison at Sinaloa, Mexico, on a charge of train robbery upon the Mexican Central Railway, State of Sonora, has been released from prison and is being transported from custody on the 30th inst.

A REFUND ORDERED.—The Treasury Department has ordered a refund of duty to the Erie Dispatch, which paper appeared from an assessment of duty at ten per cent. on certain paper imported by them intended to be used for special work by photographers, and claimed to be dutiable at the rate of 15 per cent.

DRAWBACKS ALLOWED.—The Treasury Department has decided that drawback entry of goods shipped from Newburg, N. Y., by rail to Canada cannot be made at New York. It may be made at a frontier port, if it is shown that the goods were intended for export.

STOREKEEPERS AND GUNNERS.—The following storekeepers and gunners have been appointed in North Carolina: George L. Hayner, Reidsville; E. M. Brawley, New Sterling; Michael H. Costner, Dallas Township; Joseph Smith, Kershawville; and James W. Dobbin, Mount Nabo. Thomas L. Roberts, storekeeper, Marion County, Ky.; Julius A. Nordwood, storekeeper and gunner at Hamilton, Ga.

THE FORTIFICATIONS BOARD.—The Fortifications Board resumed its session this morning, and continued in session until about 1 o'clock. All of the members were present with the exception of Gen. B. F. Sigsbee, who was detained in New York by his duties. The session was given up to the discussion of the plans and projects deemed most desirable for the better protection of the defenses of the country and the discussion of ordinance.

THE CZECH NAUHOV ESCAPE.—The State Department has been informed by a telegram from the American Legation at Russia that a train bearing the Emperor, Empress and children was derailed on Monday, but the royal family escaped unhurt. Nineteen members of the suite accompanying the Emperor and family were killed immediately and eighteen wounded. It is believed that no criminal was the cause of the accident, but that it resulted from fast running and a bad rail.

NAVY ORDER.—Ordered.—Passed Assistant Paymaster John R. Martin, as assistant to general storekeeper at the navy yard, New York; Passed Assistant Engineer James H. Chasman to examination for promotion. Deceased.—Commander Allan H. Brown, died at the Navy Observatory and ordered to command the Kearsarge; Ensign Walter M. Constant from duty on the Coast Survey and ordered to wait on duty at the Coast Survey, and the Minnesota on the 15th of November and placed on waiting orders.

THE THREATS TO BE SENT.—Commodore Walker, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, says that the only vessel in the navy available for the purpose of going to the rescue of the imprisoned whalers in the ice near Herald Island, in the Arctic Ocean, is the Thetis, and that vessel cannot be found by the Department, as she is cruising somewhere in the Arctic, and no vessel from this side could reach them before they are perished. The Thetis will be sent to their rescue as soon as she can be communicated with.

DIVIDORS OF INSOLVENT BANKS.—The Comptroller of the Currency has declared dividends in favor of the creditors of insolvent national banks as follows: The First National Bank of Wapahout, Dakota, which failed March 27, 1898, has declared a dividend of ten per cent., making in all forty-five per cent. on claims proved amounting to \$110,000.23. The Commercial National Bank of Dubuque, Iowa, a second dividend, ten per cent., making in all forty per cent. on claims proved amounting to \$985,776.17. This bank failed March 30, 1898.

PROPOSALS FOR THE MONARDON.—Proposals were opened at the Navy Department today for the materials required for the machinery for the U. S. steamer Monardnon, now building at Mare Island, California. The following are the lowest bidders on the most important items: A. S. Carman, of San Francisco, pattern master, \$1,000; J. W. Stewart, of Brooklyn, iron works, of Chicago, \$7,200; Continental Iron Works, of Brooklyn, corrugated steel furnaces, \$40,000; South Brooklyn Steam Engine Works, six tons of steel.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Louis C. Kracke and Ida V. Talmann, Richmond, Va.; Ambrose Jordan and Louisa Sedgewick, Rockville, Md.; Edmund H. Pelters and Lelia B. Stowe, Richmond, Va.; James L. Collins and Annie O. Holloman; George T. Carroll, Prince George's county, Md.; A. S. Carman, of San Francisco, pattern master, \$1,000; J. W. Stewart, of Brooklyn, iron works, of Chicago, \$7,200; Continental Iron Works, of Brooklyn, corrugated steel furnaces, \$40,000; South Brooklyn Steam Engine Works, six tons of steel.

POLITICAL POINTERS.—Sergeant-at-Arms Leedom wrote to a friend in this city that the Republican majority in Ohio will be greatly reduced this year, and that it would be a big surprise to him if Cleveland and Thurman would carry the State.

A prominent Democratic politician of New York said last night that the increased registration was in the new part of New York City where the Republicans are in the majority.

THE EAST PRINTING SUPPLY COMPANY.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the East Printing Supply Co. last night, the following officers were elected: Charles H. Hutchins, S. H. Kaufman, Crosby S. Noyes, Samuel M. Bryan, A. O. Morgan, Jesse Lippincott and B. F. Moriarty. The board of directors then held a meeting and elected the following officers: Samuel W. Bryan, president; F. W. Moulton, secretary.

## THE COURT RECORD.

Equity Court—Justice Coffey. Gray vs. Cooper, sale finally ratified. Raymond vs. Raymond, testimony before G. H. Coffey, ordered to be read. The case was dismissed by order of the court. When vs. Shea, referee and auction ordered.

Circuit Court—Justice Coffey. Koonen vs. Cook, placed on trial. Smit vs. Southern Maryland Railroad Company, suit dismissed.

Criminal Court—Justice Montgomery. Moses Brent, murder; verdict guilty manslaughter, but guilty murder. Charles Foster, suit to kill. Daniel Kelly, receiving stolen property; motion for new trial. John O'Connell, false pretenses; defendant called; recognition forfeited.

Court in General Term.—The Chief Justice, Justices James and Merrick. Beall vs. Brown; argued and submitted.

## Real Estate Transfers.

Archibald M. McLaughlin et al. trustees, to Timothy E. Wilcox, \$750, lots 8 and 9, block 33, Brookland. A. W. Whitcomb et al. trustees to W. B. Holtzclaw, \$2,637, lot 10, square 255. William H. Rogers to John J. Hogan, \$10,000, lot 10, square 255. M. A. Lewis to J. J. Hogan, \$10,000, lot 10, square 255.

## HOW THE BETTING IS GOING.

## A Novel Wager Made by Capt. L. L. Blake.

CLEVELAND MEN STILL GIVING ODDS.

A Colorado Man Will Risk His Newspaper on the Result.

A novel bet was made recently between Capt. L. L. Blake, the commander of the steamer that lands all visitors at Mount Vernon, and Edward Neumeier, a well-known merchant. According to the terms of the bet, if Cleveland is elected, Capt. Blake will make a special trip with the steamer Coronado to Marshall Hall and furnish a dinner there to all the passengers, who are to be unlimited in number and invited by Mr. Neumeier. If Harrison is elected Mr. Neumeier will be compelled to go to Marshall Hall unaccompanied, except by a credible witness, and there place three acres of ground, using an ox team to pull the plough.

A lot of money has been received from Charleston, S. C., to be placed on Harrison. The proprietor of the Salina, Cal. News has offered to wager on the Semi-Weekly News newspaper, book and job office, presses and complete outfit, which cost him \$12,000 cash and \$400 in stock, on Cleveland or on Harrison. The bet has not yet been presented. In a previous bet the courts decided that the District of Columbia was to be held responsible for a bet made to hold Cook to blame personally for not presenting the check within the two days before the bank failure.

## AN INTERESTING CASE.

The Ex-Collector of Taxes Sued for Not Paying His Taxes.

The case of Frederick A. Koonen against John F. Cook, formerly Collector of Taxes, was tried in the Circuit Court to-day before Judge Cox. Messrs. E. A. Newman and A. A. Birney appearing for the complainant, and H. E. Davis for the defendant.

On May 28, 1894, Koonen gave a check for \$494.41 to Middlebrook & Co. on account of taxes. The bank failed on the 31st, and the check had not yet been presented. In a previous bet the courts decided that the District of Columbia was to be held responsible for a bet made to hold Cook to blame personally for not presenting the check within the two days before the bank failure.

Henry Stedecor, the horseman, has bet David Gideon \$1,000 to \$200 that Sheriff Grant would defeat Mr. Hewitt for Mayor of New York. Matt. Corbett has bet Gideon \$5,000 to \$1,000 that Cleveland would carry the Empire State. He has \$5,000 more to bet in the same way.

A novel bet has been made in Norway. Mr. A. certain deacon, having by virtue of his office as tax collector for the town of New, has bet the deacon on the general result against a script table with a certain lay preacher. The deacon has bet on Cleveland, and the lay preacher has bet on Harrison. The bet is to be made on the result of the election.

John Allen, the well-known bookmaker, bet \$5,000 to \$1,000 with a New York business man that Cleveland would be elected, while James McCormick put up \$5,000 against John Allen's bet. The bet is to be made on the result of the election.

Most of the betting in New York is on the Presidential election, which would indicate that the fight for majority is too muddled to permit any judgment. The New York Coffee Exchange, planked up \$350 to \$100 that Grant would be elected Mayor.

According to the betting in Indianapolis, Cleveland has the pull and the favorite with the men having money to risk. A bet of \$1,000 was made that Cleveland would be re-elected, and \$100 that he would carry Indiana.

At the Indianapolis headquarters it is said that the bets, while small, are in favor of Cleveland. For instance, \$400 to \$100 that Cleveland carries California; \$10 to \$5 that Harrison does; \$10 to \$5 that Cleveland and New York, and a lot more of similar bets.

At Sharon, Pa., the \$1,000 that William McIntyre had to wager on Cleveland was covered by two young Republicans of that place.

In Charleston, S. C., a lively interest is taken in the coming election, and the men having money are staking it on Cleveland. The Republicans of Buffalo have more confidence in Harrison's election than in any other place in the State. A few bets were made yesterday, nearly all of which were even.

At a second dividend, ten per cent. on the East Buffalo Stock Yards, has bet \$500 even on Harrison. The amount was covered by Edwin D. Brown.

At Dayton, Ohio, the betting has been quiet. The odds given were on Cleveland.

Raisa C. Clark, of Williamsport, Pa., bet \$500 yesterday that Cleveland would be elected. Capt. A. B. Stewart, of New York City, bet \$500 yesterday that Cleveland would be elected. The bet was covered by two young Republicans of that place.

Two Serious Accidents.—Frank Haydens had a drunken act finger cut off this morning by a circular saw at his son's mill. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital where the bones of the two fingers were taken out by Drs. Gill and Sohon and the other wounds were attended to, after which he was removed to his home.

A fire broke out at the corner of a new building on Pierce street and dislocated his foot, this morning. He was carried to the Emergency Hospital where the dislocation was reduced.

Expelled From the Knights.—Toledo, Oct. 31.—Notice had been received from Secretary Hayes of the General Executive Board of the Knights of Labor, by District Assembly 73, that J. M. Bloomer, Past Master Workman of the Ohio State Assembly and editor of the Industrial News of this city, has been expelled from the order for violation of obligations and conduct unbecoming a Knight. Bloomer has tried to break up the District Assembly, and his expulsion is exceedingly gratifying to Knights in this section.

Deaths, Births and Marriages.—During the week ending last Saturday there were 29 deaths in the District, 56 white and 36 colored. The death-rate per 1,000 per annum was 21.35. There were 19 white males born, 10 white females, 14 colored males, 19 colored females. The marriages numbered 36 white and 17 colored.

Dr. Crouse's Sanitary.—An inquiry as to the sanitary of Dr. John L. Crouse was held before a jury in the City Hall to-day.

Break in the Lachine Canal.—Montreal, Oct. 31.—A break has occurred in the River St. Pierre, which forms a portion of the Lachine Canal at Cote St. Paul, about four miles from this city, and the neighboring country is flooded. The break is a serious one, and further damage will be done by the meeting of the inland navigation by the St. Lawrence route this season.

Mr. Powderly's Discovery.—Philadelphia, Oct. 31.—Mr. Powderly announces the discovery of a plot to issue on the eve of election a circular purporting to be signed by him, advising Knights of Labor to vote for a certain party. He warns the knights to pay no attention to any such decoys.

A Fight Lost on a Foul.—Hunkley, Minn., Oct. 31.—E. R. Mohler and Bob Pratt fought with two-once gloves, London ring rules, last night. Mohler knocked Bob down repeatedly, and lost on a foul in the ninth round, hitting Pratt in the neck while on his knees. They will fight to a finish in about two weeks for \$250 a side.

Ocean Steamers Arrived.—Hamburg, Oct. 31.—The Hamburg-America line steamer Survia, from the red sea, has arrived here.

Glasgow, Oct. 31.—The State Line steamer State of Pennsylvania, from New York, arrived here this morning.

## CONVICTED OF DEADLY ASSAULT.

## Charles Foster Tried for Shooting at Ben. Contes.

Charles Foster was placed on trial in the Criminal Court today on the charge of attempting to kill one Contes on July 29. Mr. Lipscomb appeared for the Government and Mr. Hewitt for the prisoner. Contes stated that he rented a room in a building which Foster's family occupied. He went to his room, and Foster, after ordering him out, slashed him across the shoulders with a cut-throat razor, after which, shot him.

The defendant claimed that he did not shoot until Foster threw the stone, and that after the shot was fired, he threw another stone which he had in his hand. Contes on cross-examination said that he was not assaulted by a police officer and also that he had been held for the grand jury for robbery. The jury found the defendant guilty as charged.

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